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THE GREAT REVIVAL IS ATTRACTING LARGE CROWDS

Rev. A. P. Lowrey and his singer Terry W. Wilson are in our city stirring up things in church circles. There have been various comments in regard to this meeting. The evangelist appears to be different in his methods from other preachers who have visited our city. He has a ringing voice which can be heard for blocks. The people listen to him with the greatest interest. They have erected a tent on the vacant lot just west of the Baptist Church, where the revival is now being conducted. Mr. Lowrey's preaching is of such nature that no man can hear him without being benefited. A special feature of the meeting is the singing. Mr. Wilson has succeeded in organizing a large choir and the singing is very fine. As all the churches are cooperating in the meeting let us hope the meeting will be a great blessing to our town.



Rev. A. P. LOWREY, Evangelist.



TERRY W. WILSON, Singer.

Withers Buys Garage

Engineer W. J. Withers closed a deal the first of the week for the Bruner Garage on South Main Street. Mr. Withers is one of the best and most experienced mechanics in the country, and his success as a garage repair shop operator is certain.

Savage Here

J. B. Savage, State manager, of Roswell and District manager J. R. Elmore, of Clovis, returned from Tucumcari, where they organized the Praetorians. They report a very fine organization there.

Another Big Vessel Torpedoed by Germans

London, Sept. 5.—(11 p. m.)—The Allen line steamer Hesperian, with 350 passengers and a crew of 300 aboard, bound from Liverpool to Montreal, was attacked without warning by a German submarine off the Irish coast just as darkness was falling Saturday evening. Although the torpedo found its mark the vessel remained afloat, and according to a statement issued by the company tonight everyone aboard was saved.

No submarine was seen and probably it was too dark to observe the wake of a torpedo, but all the passengers and members of the crew who arrived at Queenstown in the rescue steamer today agree that the attack was made by a German undersea boat, basing their opinion on the force of the shock and the great volume of water thrown into the air. This dropped back on the deck, drenching the passengers, who were taking an after-dinner promenade, feeling quite safe in the belief that they had passed the war zone. The force of the explosion was tremendous and most of the passengers landed at Queenstown, many of them scantily clad; about twenty were injured. There were no American passengers aboard, so far as the American consul learned tonight, but two members of the crew were American citizens and they were both saved.

Texans and Mexicans Fight.

Washington, Sept. 5.—All United States troops on the Mexican border are under orders to be in readiness to meet any emergency. War department officials said extraordinary vigilance had been ordered as a result of repeated raids in American territory by Mexican brigands and soldiers, and renewed reports of preparations for an organized invasion from across the Rio Grande in the states of Coahuila and Nuevo Leon.

A report to General Funston by Captain McCoy on yesterday's fight near Old Hidalgo, Texas between United States cavalrymen, deputy sheriffs and rangers during the night, was forwarded to the department. It told of the killing of seven Mexicans and announced the precautions taken to cope with the increasing difficult situation.

As long as the Mexican raiders continue to appear only in small bands, it is understood that there will be no following of them into their own territory. No announcement on the subject has been made, but officials indicate that the American commanders would not hesitate to pursue the enemy until they were completely routed should anything resembling an organized invasion of the United States be encountered.

Many Autos

Over 50 autos were counted on the streets of Clovis at one time, last week and at the present rate, which they are being received here it will be necessary to regulate auto traffic. Everybody in Curry County has the car craze.

Our Trip to the Country

We accepted the invitation of our local grain dealer, W. W. White and made a trip in his new car to the country north of Blacktower and northwest of Clovis, Monday. It was our pleasure to visit the farm of J. A. Wallace, where we witnessed a scene that we did not believe existed here and possibly cannot be duplicated in Curry County. Mr. Wallace does not possess such extensive improvements, but instead he has invested his earnings in land and live stock. He is one of the real successful farmers we have met in this country. In his hog barn and lots we saw 100 head of grown fat Durock Jersey hogs. All were trim and sleek and gave evidence of good breeding and care. On his farm we also witnessed a scene of unusual attraction. There were, at least, 500 white leghorn chickens, he raised no other kind. In another lot were his excellent herd of Jersey cows, from which he says he sells enough cream and butter to net him \$70 per month. His grainery is full of feed and his farm is in a high state of cultivation; his future feed supply being assured. This is only an evidence of what can be done in this country, as Mr. Wallace came here with but little. And in addition to all the stock and poultry mentioned, has secured 4 quarters of land. He also had a nice bearing orchard of peaches and a splendid garden.

It is unnecessary to bring strangers to this country and show them such a place, if the writer, who has resided here for 8 years, would be so greatly astonished that such things existed within a few miles of town.

We also had the pleasure of visiting the Roland Wicks farm located 5 miles northwest of Clovis, which we had not visited for 8 years. Mr. Wicks has a well improved place with a splendid crop and considerable live stock, but the special attraction on his farm is his magnificent orchard of fruit laden trees of peaches, prunes, pears and plums. No better fruit have we ever tasted than that grown on this place. The trees, which were fairly loaded, were of the choicest variety. They had gathered over 300 pounds of plums from four trees and there were still many left. From one tree, alone, he estimated he would yet gather 150 pounds.

A strange coincidence of our visit to the Wicks' farm, is that the last time we were there 8 years ago, we had a feast in his melon patch on the same ground that is now covered with the orchard mentioned.

He is preserving some of his best fruit, which will be sent to the County and State Fairs. Mr. Wicks is also building a hundred ton silo which is nearing completion.

McFarlan Building

Store Building

One of the handsomest business structures in the city is that of J. A. McFarlan on West Grand Avenue, which is nearing completion. This building is of yellow pressed brick, and the interior finishing will be second to none in the city. The property adjoining is also being put into first class shape preparatory to its occupancy at an early date. Mr. McFarlan will extend this building to the alley, which will give him ample storage room.

Another Good Rain Fell

Another good rain fell here Sunday night, which practically insures a maturing of the bumper crops, which are everywhere in evidence. Curry County is going to have some of the best crops this year in its history. Everybody is making preparation for the big county fair this fall. The prospects for the best agricultural exhibits are the best we ever had and are going to make a showing second to none in our history. Some of the farmers are now busy collecting the best products for exhibition for the fair which will later be sent to the State Fair at Albuquerque. It is especially urged that those who have not made a special effort to gather these products will do so before it is too late.

Home Seekers Coming

Many wagon loads of home seekers are coming into Curry County. Scarcely a day passes that dozens cannot be seen on the streets. All are seeking land, and if they do not find what they want here, they usually go west. Free government land in this county is now practically a thing of the past. A homesteader, who desires to make entry has to either purchase his land or go elsewhere.

Business Picking Up

"Clovis is one of the very best little towns in the southwest," remarked a traveling man to a News reporter this week. "I see more people on the streets than any town of its size in my territory, which is quite extensive. All of your business firms appear busy and your business men say they are enjoying a big trade. Clovis is a dandy."

Sells His Farm

With the rush of homeseekers now on, many places near Clovis are changing owners. T. J. Ferguson who had a farm at Blacktower met Jim Adams, of Mangum, Oklahoma, while in Clovis Saturday, made a deal, and on Sunday the purchaser had taken possession.

Bought Section

W. J. Stewart closed a deal last week for the sale of a section of land on what is known as the Santa Fe land located north of town. The purchasers are H. Gore, J. R. Walton, Lee Abbott and Fred Bendredge. The first three named are engineers and are employed out of Clovis. The latter hails from Galesburg, Illinois. The price paid was \$7.00 per acre.

Boys Arrested

Everett Brandon, Ralph Sutton, John I. Reeves and Roy Rosser, four boys ranging in age from about 11 to 17, were arrested Tuesday, charged with taking a quantity of pocket knives from the vehicle store of Wisnimer. Two of the boys were unable to secure bond and were confined in the County bastille for several days. The boys would open the show cases and take out the knives while the employees were not observing them. Most of the stolen goods have been recovered.

Mr. and Mrs. J. A. McFarlan are the proud parents of a big bouncing baby girl, born on labor day.

ELKS WILL BUILD AUDITORIUM FOR CLOVIS

Gurley Company Will Entertain

The A. L. Gurley Broom Corn Company have invited all the Clovis people who care to make the trip to go to Portales on a special train Friday, where Mr. Gurley will entertain with song and dance in commemoration of the opening of his mammoth ware house which has just been completed. He has engaged the Amarillo orchestra to furnish music by night and the Clovis band to furnish music by day. No doubt many will avail themselves of the opportunity to enjoy Mr. Gurley's hospitality.

Socialist Speaking

Wm. J. Lowe, a socialist lecturer, spoke Monday and Tuesday night on the streets of Clovis to a large crowd, which was composed mostly of those of his own political belief. He espoused the cause in true socialistic fashion, but in some manner it appears that he said something that was taken as a reflection on one of our leading business men, which was promptly resented and for a time it looked like real trouble. We do not know who was in the right, but we believe that the officers were correct in their timely interference in order to avoid trouble. These affairs are unfortunate occurrences and the less that they can be advertised on the outside, the better for all parties concerned. A petition was circulated Wednesday to raise funds for Mr. Lowe to conduct a county wide campaign.

A. S. Eittrheim Dead

A. S. Eittrheim, a Santa Fe conductor who had a run between Clovis and Albuquerque ever since the cut off opened for traffic, died in Topeka, Kansas, last Monday and was buried there.

Mr. Eittrheim, never very robust, contracted pneumonia last winter, from the effects of which he never recovered. This, it is understood, weakened his heart, and other complications set in, resulting in his death.

He was well known among the railroad men here and at Albuquerque, and his many friends join in extending sympathy to his widow and daughter.

Fall Openings

The attention of the News readers is called to the fall opening announcements of some of our merchants appearing in this issue.

Greatest Crops in History of Curry County

The greatest crops in the history of this country will be harvested this fall. Never before has there been so much forage stuff and grain, which is fast maturing. Indications are that this will be a banner prosperous year.

J. A. Hall, of Denton, Texas, has secured a place near Clovis and has decided to locate here. He is very much impressed with the country and the prospects for its future.

Construction work will begin immediately on the Elk's Auditorium 100x100 feet to be erected on their property just east of Barry's Hardware Store. It will be of corrugated iron construction and substantially built in every detail. The main floor will be 36x100 feet and addition will be provided a dancin floor 36x60 feet. The main entrance will be on the south on Monroe Avenue. The building will be used for conventions and big public gatherings of all kinds. The first of these will be to use it for the products exhibits building for the county fair and a little later for the Elks Carnival, which will be the greatest event of the kind ever held in Clovis. Clovis has long realized the necessity for an auditorium and their dreams are at last to be realized. Work will be rushed and it is expected that the building will be completed within two weeks.

Jury Lists Drawn

Judge McClure came up from Roswell Tuesday and drew the jury lists for the regular September term of court which convenes on September 27. The Judge will also preside during that term. The lists for the Grand and petit juries are now in the hands of officers for service.

The following named Grand and Petit Jurymen have been served by the sheriff for jury service at the next term of court. Grand Jury: L. C. Fenwick, A. Shipley, O. E. Klein, E. H. Robinson, Bert Curless, K. C. Childers, F. J. Linley and Gus Bryan. Petit Jurymen: Jno. Barry, W. B. Cramer, J. B. Comer, F. E. Lovett, B. F. Hall, J. L. West, A. W. Skarda, J. F. Curry, Jack Taylor and Hugh Woods.

Big School Enrollment

The schools were started Monday with the largest enrollment of pupils in the history of the Clovis public schools. Until the completion of the new \$14,000 ward school building on the west side, temporary quarters will be rented to accommodate the present demands. The following teachers will teach the coming term:

High school—A. R. Seder, W. E. Carroon, Leila George, Lucile Alexander, Sommerville McCartney, Hazel Webb and Bennie Works.

Grades — Mary C. Brown, Hazel Shontz, Camille Grantham, Edna King, Hertha Mullhall, Neva Odom, Mrs. Fred Derr, Mrs. Verda Smith, Marguerite Williams and Carolyn Parke.

Patton Returns

Attorney Harry Patton, of the firm of Patton and Bratton, has returned from Santa Fe and resumed the practice of law with the firm, which is located in the First National Bank building. Mr. Patton was until recently First Assistant U. S. District Attorney, which position he held for several months and recently resigned in order to resume the practice of law here. His many Curry County friends are pleased to learn of his decision to remain here.